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Cottagers push for continued lake testing program

JAMES MATTHEWS
Staff Reporter

Environmental groups and cottagers associations are hoping Queen's Park will continue to be partners in the monitoring of freshwater lake health.

The Federation of Ontario Cottagers' Association (FOCA) and its partners are encouraging a letter-writing campaign in support of a new five-year agreement with the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation, and Parks to continue the Lake Partner Program (LPP).

The association is providing a letter template campaign participants can use to show support for continuing the program.

FOCA has worked with the province since November 2024 to confirm a new five-year agreement. Efforts were shelved by the onset of the provincial election campaign.

Ron Parkinson, president of the Cedar Lake Cottagers' Association in

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Home and Cottage Show ready to roll

EMILY STONEHOUSE
Editor

The 2024 Home Show welcomed visitors from all over the county, who explored over 20,000 square feet of indoor and outdoor displays at the AJ LaRue Arena and the Haliburton Curling Club. The Home and Cottage Show is organized by members of the Haliburton Curling Club, who are gearing up for another big show this year. /FILE

It's a sure sign of summer and an event the community looks forward to each and every year: the annual Haliburton Home and Cottage Show.

Now in its 46th year, the event is put on by the Haliburton Curling Club, and their wealth of dedicated volunteers. "Our plans are well underway," said organizer Andy Glecoff, who has been a part of the Curling Club since 1997, and plays a key role in the development and implementation of the upcoming show.

After 46 years in Haliburton, the show has established a name for itself. "We've gotten a real reputation," chuckled Glecoff, noting that the event is chock-full with 150 exhibitors, and dozens more on the waitlist. "Our show gives businesses a chance to showcase themselves to our county."

With a wide spectrum of home and cottage services, home decor, decks, docks, heating and cooling, landscaping, automotive, alternative energy, travel agencies, and beauty products, there's sure to be something for everyone. "There's a real assortment of services," noted Glecoff. "All trying different things."

"The Haliburton Home and Cottage Show is a community-based show," shared their website. "Our mission is to connect show visitors with businesses and organizations that have relevant information, products, and services to offer for the greater good of the community."

This year, there are also over a dozen not-for-profit organizations setting up onsite, including the Outdoor Association, Haliburton Highlands Health Services, Brooksong Retreat and Cancer Centre, Environment Haliburton, and Master Gardeners, to name a few.

Glecoff shared that the Haliburton Rotary car draw will be back this year, featuring a 2025 GMC Terrain as the car of choice for the season. There will also be an entry draw for some great prizes, including a wildlife painting by renowned artist David Alexander Risk, a weekend away at Buttermilk Falls Resort, and a bistro set from Glecoff's Family Store. The Home Show's chosen charity this year is the Turtle Guardians, and there will be options for donations upon arrival.

To get to and from the event, the Curling Club has organized a shuttle bus between the Haliburton Arena and the Medical Centre on Gelert Road. The free shuttle will be running every 15 minutes, in an effort to mitigate congestion in the parking lots.

Glecoff noted that despite the event pushing 50 years, many do not recognize that it is put on by 150 volunteers from the Haliburton Curling Club. He shared that many great curlers have gone through the programs that the Curling Club offers, such as Jacob Dobson who won the U21 Canadian Junior Cup, and Owen Nicholls who played in the 2023 Winter Games. "We welcome public schools, adults, anyone who wants to play," said Glecoff, who himself curls four times a week. By fundraising for the programs at the club, Glecoff shared that they are able to sustain, support, and subsidize the needs and wants of the growing sport in Haliburton.

While the Home and Cottage Show may seem geared towards cottagers, Glecoff said that the vast majority of attendees are locals - a tradition to attend the show year over year. "We see about 25 per cent from out of town, and 75 per cent from across the county," he said.

Admission is $3 for adults, free for kids, with a free doggy daycare available for furry friends as well, provided by Tails and Trails and I Love Your Dog.

While the event planning kicks off every year on December 1, Glecoff shared that the months of planning and preparation are coming together, and he is eager for the busy weekend ahead.

The Haliburton Home and Cottage Show is running on Friday, May 30 from 3 to 8 p.m., Saturday May 31 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Sunday June 1 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

For more information, visit their website at www.haliburtonhomeandcottageshow.com.

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Testing program gives a valuable look at a lake's health

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Wilberforce, said the previous LPP agreement ended in March and it is now a critical point in the lake water sampling cycle which puts the 2025 data at risk.

Sampling kits have already been distributed and water samples will soon be returned for lab analysis.

"Time is of the essence," he said.

The program allows the monitoring of 546 lakes at 917 sites across the province. The LPP provides immense value to the public and to Ontario as a whole, he said.

It's been happening for about 30 years, conducted by volunteers. Lab analysis of the water samples is done by the ministry and FOCA provides financial support.

Parkinson said it is one of the largest long-term databases on water quality for freshwater lakes, and the data is essential for research and analysis conducted by universities, government, community groups, and scientists.

Test results informs policy, tracks changes over time, and enables science-based decision-making about the environment.

"There are times when you hit some peaks and water quality is not as clear as it was before and that's when you start to look at that summer," Parkinson said. "Whether there was heavy rain or what have you."

The LPP allows crucial information about the health of freshwater lakes to be shared. Otherwise, people will be living in their cottage cocoons oblivious to what's being done to the water.

"It's an awareness thing," Parkinson said.

Cedar Lake, which is also known as Little Esson Lake in Wilberforce is a small 26 cottage community surrounded by Crown forest. Parkinson said it is known that there are various invasive species in the lake, and that's an important reason to be involved with FOCA and to participate in the LPP.

Parkinson was also involved in the establishment of Highlands East Lake Properties (HELP). There's probably about 40 lakes in that area with roads leading to them. And maybe some of the residents on those lakes aren't aware of water quality testing, he said.

That's another motive for continuing the lake testing program.

"It's not a huge amount of money," he said. "We're not talking millions and millions of dollars in this thing. It's water testing. We're hoping that the influence will be more voices can be heard."

Delancey's Arcade; a space for youth to play

THOMAS SMITH

Staff Reporter

Delancey's Arcade is located within Delancey Sports at 162 Highland Street in Haliburton. /submitted

Josh Karam's inspiration for an arcade first struck him in the summer of 2021 after taking his wife Erika Mozes' nephews to an arcade bar on Danforth Avenue in Toronto.

"The kiddos, they loved it," said Karam.

The experience stuck with them. With memories of going to the arcade as kids and shovelling quarters into the Pac-Man arcade cabinet and taking dates to the arcade, Karam felt that an arcade was a perfect fit for Delancey Sports, which was named after the location of their New York City apartment, located at Delancey Street and Suffolk Street.

"I was the hog playing Pac-Man trying to get the high score," laughed Karam.

While Karam and Mozes considered renting an additional space in Haliburton, they ultimately decided to rearrange the back of their store to allow for game cabinets and video game consoles.

To stay on theme, all of the games involve sports in some way.

Delancey's Arcade's game cabinets include NBA Jam, NFL Blitz, Street Fighter, and Mrs. Pac-Man. They also have a Nintendo Switch, PS5, and Xbox available, all with sports games. Some of the featured sports include golfing, tennis, volleyball, football, soccer, and hockey. There is also a selection of candy bars for sale to keep gamers gaming.

"Mrs. Pac-Man kind of counts, she is running after the ghosts," said Mozes with a laugh.

Karam and Mozes' goal was to create a safe and family friendly environment in Haliburton. With a lack of spaces oriented for kids in the county, the couple figured that there would be demand for a space where families can come together, have fun, and even book it for events like birthday parties.

"It is an important space in the community that has little for kids to do," said Karam.

For only five dollars per arcade guest, Karam and Mozes hope to make Delancey's Arcade an affordable, must-do destination for youth and entire intergenerational families.

Karam says that he has created the space that his younger self would love. Growing up his family could not afford the newest gaming consoles.

All games are set on free play. You can play any game you want, for as long as you want.

Not just for kids, parents and even grandparents flock to the space looking for something to do together with their young ones. Everyone ends up having a great time, says Karam.

With the increased foot traffic to Haliburton's downtown core, they hope the arcade space will encourage more shopping to other local businesses and get youth interested in taking up sports. Unlike many businesses in the county, they hope that Delancey's Arcade can service the community year-round.

"We are the cheapest babysitter in town," said Karam with a laugh.

Even with his passion for sports and gaming, Karam assures that their basement is not filled with arcade machines. All gaming cabinets remain at their two main locations in Haliburton and at their recently opened store in Bracebridge, says Mozes.

With Delancey's Arcade opening last month, Karam and Mozes will need to see how successful their operation is before adding additional games, a pool table, expanding their space, or extending their hours. At their 162 Highland street location, they hope that their central location and proximity to the high school encourages high school students to come in and play for as long as they want.

> *"I am living my dream. I opened a sports themed arcade in the back of my own sporting goods store."*
>
> – Josh Karam, Delancey's Arcade

The couple say that they would be interested in bringing in a sports-themed pinball machine if someone in the area is capable of assisting with its maintenance.

Karam says that the response to the arcade space has been extremely positive since its opening last month. Many customers that come in take photos and videos of the space and post them on social media.

Mozes' nephews say that Delancey's Arcade is one of the best arcade spaces that they have ever seen.

Karam also reports that the most popular game has been NBA Jam and the least popular has been NFL Blitz, likely due to its level of difficulty.

"I like to tell people that I am living my dream," said Karam. "I opened a sports themed arcade in the back of my own sporting goods store."

Delancey Sports and Delancey's Arcade is open from 12 p.m. to 5 p.m. Thursday and Friday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday, and from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Sunday. They are currently located at 162 Highland street in Haliburton and have everything you need for your latest sporting adventure or gaming session.

Delancey's Arcade can be booked for special events in three hour timeslots. They welcome people to bring in their own food, such as pizza for pizza parties but cannot accommodate food that needs to be kept cold, such as ice cream cakes.

If you are interested in booking the arcade space for your next birthday party, work function, or social mixer, please visit delanceysports.com/collections/the-sportscade or email info@delanceysports.com.

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Agri-tourism connects producers and tourists

JAMES MATTHEWS

Staff Reporter

Grow it and they will come.

Given the proper support by community decision-makers, of course.

Trent University research indicates there is a strong desire in the Haliburton County community for a tourism industry component based on agriculture.

Sadie Snell, a student at the university's School of the Environment, published findings of research carried out under the umbrella of U-Links Centre for Community-based Research for the Apple Tree Identification Project Haliburton. The report is entitled *Harvest Haliburton: Unveiling Haliburton's Bounty Through Agri-Tourism.*

Under the supervision of Professor Susan Wurtele, Snell identified a strong community interest and untapped potential for the development of agri-tourism in the area.

She said project participants and industry interview subjects showed a curiosity and enthusiasm for another facet of local agriculture and her research. Many came prepared with a strong sense of key ideas related to agri-tourism, she said.

"Participants described organized farm tours as an appealing form of agri-tourism because the facilitate direct connection between producers and tourists and allow tourists to experience multiple aspects of Haliburton County," she wrote.

"The desire to provide farm tours can be linked to other themes including participants' desire to share their knowledge through workshops and demonstrations, a passion for quality food and the environment, and a sense of local pride and uniqueness of place."

There is a desire to engage in coordinated events to share local knowledge and contribute to the growth of the community and that of the tourism and agriculture industries.

Such recent examples as the Apple Tree Identification Project's Apple Blossom Tour last year and a series of 2012 farm tours organized by SIRCH Community Services.

"(The findings) also highlight the importance of addressing key gaps in community collaboration, considering farmer perspectives and hesitations, addressing regulatory barriers, and the need for municipal support in order to provide security for the agricultural sector and facilitate the expansion of agri-tourism activities," Snell wrote in a report on her research.

Her research delved into the availability of existing marketing resources, local geographical attributes and their impacts on agriculture, risks, and access to farm services.

Research participants said there was a need for more political support in agri-tourism development, particularly at the municipal level. There was indication that municipal support for agriculture was inconsistent and that the upper tier highlights agriculture in tourism promotional campaigns but doesn't foster its success.

"It was felt that, in order to get producers interested in expanding agri-tourism, there needs to be demonstrated and reliable municipal support for agriculture in the form of public recognition and promotion of agriculture and the clear consideration of the agricultural sector in policy decision-making," Snell wrote in her findings.

A lack of municipal acknowledgement means fewer avenues by which producers can advocate for their needs. And smaller-scale producers face additional barrier to having their voices heard "as they may not be counted statistically as farmer," she said.

"There was also a sense that policy-makers lack understanding of the reality of the scale and geography of farming in the region."

Snell said participants indicated the most significant barrier to agri-tourism's development is stumbling blocks toward collaboration among various industry stakeholders. There is a general lack of communication between organizations and community groups invested in the industry.

"The agricultural sector was described as fragmented and siloed with many independent small producers lacking connection to other producers or other types of agriculture and therefore being without a strong support system," she wrote.

"Addressing this lack of community connection was seen as essential for strengthening the agricultural sector, as well as for increasing producer awareness and engagement in agri-tourism."

Research participants illustrated that producers were eager to share experiences and knowledge of such skill-sets as cheese-making, sheep shearing, and soil analysis and plant biology, beekeeping, maple syrup production, and even forestry.

Including such facets in a tourism forum would broaden the public's understanding of agriculture.

"Several participants expressed an interest in sharing their farm or organization's story with others," she wrote. "And several (participants) were particularly passionate about sharing agricultural knowledge with young people.

"In addition to engaging with visiting tourists, participants were eager to share knowledge about farming in Haliburton's unique geography with local community members."

A Haliburton Forest pupdate

EMILY STONEHOUSE

Editor

It's a boy! And a girl!

The Haliburton Forest Wolf Centre announced last week that one of the wolves, Quest, had successfully delivered two puppies at the educational facility. "While there was no visible way to see if Quest was in fact pregnant, we felt fairly confident and had high hopes for little ones," said Marena Wigmore, the manager for the Wolf Centre.

Identified as an Ontario Signature Educational Experience, the Wolf Centre dedicates itself to educating the public about wolf behaviour and ecology. With a small pack that resides at the facility, the staff are hands-off with the resident wolves, ensuring they maintain their natural tendencies around the seven acre enclosure they call home.

The last litter born onsite was in 2022, so with a new breeding pair establishing themselves within the hierarchy of the wolf pack, staff were hopeful for a litter this spring. "On May 3, Quest appeared only briefly in the observation area and was very clearly covered in dirt," said Wigmore. "This indicated that she had been in the den and being back out meant she was likely already done birthing. When we went to check the den, it was very refreshing to find that we were correct."

This is one of the few times that the staff interacts with the pack. In the interest of sustaining and supporting the pack for the centre, staff observe the early stages of development for the pups, to ensure they are healthy and safe. "We will assess the health, sex, quantity and colour of pups born for record-keeping and to determine if any puppies will be sent to other education facilities," said Wigmore. "Like most domestic dog puppies, we will also deworm the little ones to prevent parasites which can be fatal at such a young age." Unless there is a major issue requiring veterinary support, this is the first and last time that staff will connect with the animals.

While many are hopeful for the growing pack, Wigmore reminds visitors that it's important to stay cautiously optimistic. "The mortality rate for wolves is 50 per cent up to the first year to year and a half," she said. "However, with a smaller litter (average is three to five), odds tend to be better." She noted that with these smaller litter sizes, the mama wolf is able to produce enough milk resources to share, which can decrease the risk of starvation in infancy.

While many visitors' ears perk up at the sound of 'puppies', Wigmore shared that the pups likely won't be seen for the first few weeks. Typically, staff begin to observe pups in the observation area around six to eight weeks, with their visibility becoming more frequent and increase in duration. Wigmore encouraged visitors to check out the Wolf Centre social media pages for more updates, or call the centre in advance for information on pup visibility.

Marena Wigmore, the manager of the Wolf Centre, gently supports the newest pup at the facility. /photo submitted

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New book captures compassion in older age

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Editor

Author Ramune Luminaire will be coming to Haliburton to discuss her first book, *Coming of Age ... Again,* on May 24. /photo submitted

"I literally wrote the book I wanted to read." That was the inspiration for author Ramune Luminaire's newest creative endeavor, *Coming of Age… Again.*

Officially hitting the shelves on May 15, the book explores the complexities and curiosities of a woman exploring her own intimate journey while navigating menopause.

For 20 years, protagonist Lisa West has been "self-sufficient and single," but suddenly, she's ready to dive into the world of relationships once again. The only hiccup: everything about the dating world has changed, including her own body.

"This is a story about daring to be different, learning to state your own needs, and trusting that love changes everything," says Luminaire on the back cover of her newly launched book.

Luminaire is no stranger to the creative world. She spent years teaching at the Haliburton School of Art and Design. "Whenever people ask me what I taught, I always say I taught creativity," she chuckled, having dabbled in expressive portraits, landscapes, life drawings, and more.

Luminaire started exploring creative writing during the COVID-19 pandemic in 2020. While she had worked as a magazine editor for years, she found the transition to fiction came with some hiccups. "There was a learning curve," she recalled. "Writing fiction is a totally different thing than anything I've really done before. But writing has always been a part of who I am."

While this is Luminaire's first novel, she noted that the creative process parallels her past artistic endeavours. "The process of creating isn't very different from creating anything else," she noted. "The real trick is not abandoning it. That's the bit you have to work through. It will turn into something, eventually."

Luminaire shared that she remembers plunking herself down on her screened-in porch, "to start writing and see what comes out," and through that initial kick-start, she found her footing.

She had noted over the years that many fictitious aging protagonists often focused on dying partners, health concerns, or life regrets. There was no one out there interested in the nitty-gritty of real-life relationships: sex, intimacy, and human connections.

"It's categorized as contemporary women's fiction," said the author, "but I've had a few reviews from men, all glowing. They've said it's very compassionate to both male and female."

Luminaire will be stopping in Haliburton once her official book tour launches. While she has ties to the community, she noted that the setting for the book is "suspiciously a lot like Haliburton," she chuckled. Of course, making it a fictional location gave the writer a little wiggle room for what the community could hold, but she believes that the storyline would deeply resonate with rural residents.

Coming of Age… Again will be available at independent book stores, including Master's Book Store in Haliburton, Kindle, Apple Books, and Amazon. Luminaire will be at the Rail's End Gallery on May 24 at 1 p.m. for a storytelling session and some community conversation.

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Butterflies

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Editorial

MINDEN PRIDE has officially rebranded as Pride in the Highlands.

While the organization has long offered programs well beyond the geographical boundaries of Minden, they recognized the need to use a name that more so represents who they have become. A transition into a truer version of themselves. We are all welcome to that. A caterpillar to a butterfly, a new chapter, ready to fly.

It's no secret that the future of the 2SLGBTQIA+ community is shaky. Not from the community themselves - they're some of the most resilient individuals you will ever meet.

But from a place of representation. I've seen mothers of transgender children express fear around their kids traveling to the United States. Topics such as sexual orientation and gender identity have been removed from school curriculums across the States, and there are many who would like the topics removed in Canada as well. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention have been told they cannot use the words "diversity", and "transgender" anymore.

What once felt like a roadway that had been smoothed out - even in a few short years - has quickly turned into more and more dams and blockages. Forward backwards, forward backwards.

When I look at my own kids, I feel an immense amount of gratitude that they were born in this era. That there is a semblance of acceptance and understanding from the broader good, and that they will grow up in homes that are adamant about pride, justice, and inclusion. They won't know it any other way.

I give kudos to Pride in the Highlands for growing during a time when it seems like much of the 2SLGBTQIA+ community seems to be shrinking. Not physically, not emotionally, but from a place of fear. From a place of not understanding their role in this complicated world. From a place of not being seen, heard, accepted, and loved.

Because we're a little different, in our neck of the woods, we celebrate our Pride Week in August. Across the country, though, June 1 is generally the official start date for Pride events.

And as we head into a season of sparkles and summer, I hope you can remember that it's not always just about rainbows and butterflies.

It's very much about showing up all year long. About growing and transitioning and metamorphosing with the communities who need our support.

This year, for the first time, we will watch the Pride flag be flown at Dysart Town Hall. Colours that will mean little to some, but so much to others.

And the ones for whom it means little to, I hope that perhaps this can be a season of change for you, as well. That in this world of ever-changing theories and thoughts that you can ask questions, push outside the roadblocks of your mind, and recognize the rights, reasons, and realities of the people you have overlooked for so long. Allyship can come in many forms. Sometimes it's showing up, sometimes it's asking questions, sometimes it's simply opening up the crevice in your darkened mind that has stayed shuttered for far too long.

Because it's okay to change. If anything, it's welcome. It's okay to admit that you needed to learn more, to ask questions, to hear stories, to shift your perspective. Thoughts are not stagnant; they are ever-morphing, ever-changing, ever-evolving in the wisp and whir of the every day bustle.

We are all welcome to that. A caterpillar to a butterfly, a new chapter, ready to fly.

Strawberry fields forever. Or in this case, strawberry sides of roads. /EMILY STONEHOUSE

Mudita

lynda shadbolt

Green meadow

Tales from the great

MUDITA MEANS "sympathetic joy" or "vicarious joy". It is a Buddhist concept that emphasizes the joy and delight derived from experiencing the well being and success of others.

I was on a seven-day silent meditation retreat in late April and one evening the teacher talked about cultivating mudita in meditation, on the yoga mat and in everyday life. It is a beautiful practice because the practitioner is rejoicing in the happiness of others. It can start with people you know, and then extend to people you see on the street or in the grocery store. And eventually to all beings.

What is really lovely about the practice is that when you use it, it can contribute to your own well being. Your own joy. You naturally start to feel more expansive and connected as you offer others joy. At the retreat we were all asked to pick someone that we wanted to offer mudita to. I picked my daughter Madeline. The phrases we were given to say silently to ourselves were "Madeline, I am so happy for you. I am so happy that you are so happy. May your happiness and good fortune continue".

A simple sentence that allowed me to connect with her and wish her well from a distance. It allowed me to feel joy and happiness for her while feeling that in myself. It is such a lovely, quiet and caring way to be with my daughter when she is 500 kilometres away.

The second phrase we added to the blessing was "four qualities that I love about you Madeline are your generosity, your kindness, your compassion and your brilliance. May these qualities protect you and be your gift to the world." I had an image of her wrapped in these qualities and sharing them at the same time.

Sending someone good wishes contributes to a feeling of being connected and of compassion. What a wonderful practice to start with someone that you know and love, and then eventually extend it out into the world. I am not a Buddhist, but I love many of the teachings that from my perspective are about living in ways that help us be kind and respectful to all life. Teachings that help us see our own struggles and challenges and give us very concrete tools to navigate them.

Our brains are naturally wired to protect us, and often that means being negative. At least that is my experience. And when I am negative, I become separated and disconnected from life. And that doesn't feel good or help anyone. So all the practices that encourage kindness, love, joy, gratitude, peace, and ease are of interest to me. What I really like about doing mudita meditation is that it is felt in the body. It's not just a concept or an idea or a story. It gets into our cells and over time becomes easier and easier to practice over time.

points of view

Crazy for who?

steve galea

Loon Tales

YESTERDAY, JENN and I started painting our spare bedroom. First, we painted the ceilings, which, for the record, I wanted to do like the Sistine Chapel. Instead, Jenn insisted, I would serve the project better if I prepped the walls. But, apparently, telling them that they were about to be covered in a new coat of paint was not what she meant. No, it had more to do with filling in holes and sanding.

To be clear, I have never liked painting.

I think I lost my enthusiasm for it the minute they told me I could no longer just use my fingers. Since then, I have done my very best to avoid the task. But, as I stood there clutching a broom handle attached to a paint roller, I wondered where it all went wrong.

"I'll cut in the edges and corners," Jenn said. "You paint the rest of the wall."

It hardly seemed fair.

"Can I use my fingers?" I asked.

"No," she said.

Frankly, she didn't know what she was missing. My kindergarten teacher awarded my finger paintings gold stars for each of the three years we spent together.

It got even worse when I asked, "What colour are we painting these walls."

"*Crazy for you,*" she said.

"Right back at you," I replied.

"No," she said, "the colour is called "*Crazy for you.*"

Now, I'm not exactly an artist, but even I know that you can't find *Crazy for you* on a colour wheel. And I would bet that no one has ever answered the question "What's your favourite colour with "*Crazy for you.*"

I was soon to discover that *Crazy for you* is just orangy pink – which is basically the worst of both worlds. Jenn likes it, however, so I will defer to her good taste. After all, she chose me.

The thing I want to point out here is that we have now gotten to the point where we have thrown the rules right out the window when it comes to naming colours.

Think about that. We've gone thousand of years developing a colour language that is basically universal. When someone says red, everyone knows what they are talking about. When some says green, there no need to describe it further. Say sky blue and the colour is immediately visualized. And, when someone says taupe, we all pretend to know what that colour is.

Now, however, some paint marketing genius decided to colour outside of the lines, with names so bizarre that you could even come close to guessing the actual colour. For instance, *Elephant's breath* is described as medium gray with a hint of magenta, and *Snugglepuss* is a blueish purple.

Oh sure, you think this is fun. But wait until it catches on in other product lines.

Imagine going to the hardware store and saying, I'd like to buy a box of Size 6 Robertson screws an inch and a half long…"

"Sure," the woman at the counter says. "Bill, can you show this gentleman where he can find the *Burping Orangutans…*"

Frankly, I believe this is all part of a plot to drive older people like me crazy.

Maybe its revenge for all the references to the Three Stooges skits or historical references we chide younger people for not knowing. Or perhaps it's just the natural progression of a language that already has words like filibuster and gobbledygook.

No matter. As someone who makes a living typing words, I'd better get on board.

Otherwise, it's all *Rupplefrump* from here on in.

pic *of the* past

May 1953, location – Haliburton Train Station
In 1952 Rideout Real Estate Limited of Peterborough was approached by lawyer Jim Dunn and his business partner Jack Hayward, who recently had purchased a large tract of land from Clayton Hodgson and would be developed and offered to the public as a cottage and lakeshore package for $2,500. Ernest Rideout Real Estate was to be appointed exclusive agents for this project. It was disclosed on Jan. 5, 1953 in a news release on the front page of the *Toronto Star* and the *Telegram*, that the $2 million project would include a shopping centre (to serve up to 5000 summer residents) and would contain a general store, service station, motel, boat livery and airplane docking facilities. There would be 800 cottages built on at least 100 feet of shoreline fronting on what would now be called Haliburton Lake (formerly known as Crooked Lake). Rideout Real Estate featured the properties for sale at the first Canadian Hobby and Home Craft Show, held at the CNE Coliseum, Feb. 6, 1953, following an extensive advertising campaign in the Toronto daily newspapers. The promoter of the show donated space for a model cottage, using this photo as a drawing card to the new event. At the show, more than 100 deposits of $100 were taken on cottage sites, unseen. Approximately 300 future vacation property home owners were brought to Haliburton that May on a steam powered CNR passenger train chartered by the developers, and then transported to Haliburton Lake via coach bus, chartered from Colonial Bus Lines. Once they arrived at Haliburton Lake, they were ferried around the lake by salesmen in cars and boats to see what they had bought. /FILE

letters to the editor

Oh Deer! A Haliburton story

To the Editor,

This is for all you "kind-hearted" folks who feed the deer from your homes around the village until they are as tame as puppies, constantly looking for hand-outs.

In the last few days, I have had a very badly injured doe loitering around my property. She had been hit by a car, I'd imagine. She had a horrible wound on her back flank and a lame left front leg so was staggering about on the other three.

This morning she came by and nibbled on a potted plant I had put out, then lay down in the shade of the house, snugged up against my back wall. I called several numbers to get someone to remedy this pathetic situation, one way or another - the Dysart office, MNR, the animal rehab sanctuary (who wanted nothing to do with an injured adult deer) and finally the OPP!

The variety of jobs these guys get called to sort out is amazing. In a few short minutes the deer was out of its misery.

I could have called several people I know who feed deer regularly just to have them come to see this animal. I know there is a by-law against feeding them in town, but no one is going to squeal on their neighbour it seems, so it goes on. This winter, I paid out several hundreds to fix a fender on my car as a deer had jumped out of a ditch, bounced off the car and went back into the bush beside the road, probably injured. I'll never know.

So, some of these collisions are inevitable, but if the deer didn't look on the village as a place for fine dining surely there would be fewer of these incidents.

If you really care about wildlife, let it remain what it should be - wild.

Gillian Stephen,
Haliburton

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letters to the editor

Haliburton ER eneeds serious help

To the Editor,

I am reaching out about the situation at Haliburton Hospital ER on May 12, 2025. Needing the help of a nurse or doctor at the ER at 1 p.m. in the afternoon. The waiting room was full of triage and people standing outside seeking to see one or the other emergency care was impossible. We couldn't even get through the front doors.

No room for another patient so we left the hospital, as we sit at home waiting and wondering what our next move should be, with a blown IV line medicine flowing out of the arm and port filled with blood, called our community health nurse back to see how she could help even though she had already been in to see my husband Mark in the morning and all was well at this point.

The nurse suggested we go back to hospital to have his line placed back into the arm but I will say at this time Mark's had enough and just wants the IV pulled. We were at the ER every day last week for the same issue. Back to the hospital we went to the waiting room, still packed. Many complained, all realizing that the nurses and doctor are being pushed to the limit.

Mark had knee surgery April 1st in Lindsay Ross Memorial hospital unfortunately somehow ended up with an infection in knee that required him to be sent home with IV for 14 days. I'm sending this letter not just about our story but the past and future stories to be told. We need Minden hospital to reopen and yes I understand it was closed due to shortage of doctors and nurses so if they choose to keep the hospital closed then we need the walk-in clinic open Monday to Saturday not just weekends.

Unfortunately I see and understand that people are using the ER for non-emergency situations because they have no doctor or can't get in to see their doctor half the time,

My beef is something has to change within Haliburton County ER and surrounding areas, for Haliburton has grown, and it needs to be addressed sooner than later for future care of people and community. Weekends haven't started for cottagers coming up for the season and how is going to look for our summer going forward? Today was not the only day ER was overloaded with patients. Last week had a few other days with an overload of patients, the Haliburton ER is completely overwhelmed with many needing care for one reason or another and this is not acceptable and only has gotten worse.

I'm so very grateful for the nurses we have coming in and helping us with the issue on hand. Bless those ladies with the outstanding compassion and care they have provided to us and many others. I'm sure to be more inclined to donate to this service than the ER at this point and time.

Kelly Hatton,
Haliburton

Dysart overlooks privacy concerns for STRs

To the Editor,

I'm writing to express deep concern about a recent move by the Municipality of Dysart et al to publish a public map showing the full addresses and roll numbers of all licensed short-term rentals (STRs). While the intention may have been transparency, the execution raises serious issues of privacy, safety, and fairness.

By listing precise property locations and municipal roll numbers in a public format, the municipality has unintentionally created a tool that could be exploited by bad actors. These properties often host families, children, and travelers unfamiliar with the area. Publicizing their exact location during their stay introduces unnecessary risks.

Meanwhile, unlicensed rentals—those operating outside the legal system—remain invisible. This means the only people exposed are those who followed the rules, completed fire inspections, paid municipal fees, and acted in good faith. It's backwards policy and leaves compliant owners vulnerable.

Here are a few real-world risks that deserve attention:

- Burglary and vandalism: Seasonal or rural properties are now easy targets with known occupancy timelines.
- Guest safety: Hosts have no control over who sees these locations, and guests could be unknowingly exposed to harassment or worse.
- Roll number misuse: With enough public information, bad actors can impersonate owners or exploit municipal systems.
- No consultation or warning was given to many of the licensees before this map went live. This is a troubling precedent - one that undermines public trust and punishes compliance.

At a time when many are working to build responsible, safe, and transparent short-term rental operations, this move feels counterproductive and potentially dangerous. I urge local leadership to reconsider this decision, or at minimum, consult the public and those affected before moving forward with such measures in the future.

Neal Turgeon,
Gooderham

Have a thought, comment or opinion you'd like to share?

Send a letter to the editor to
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Culture Days kick off at Hal High

Haliburton Highlands Secondary School hosted their first Culture Fest on May 14 in an effort to increase knowledge around Indian culture. Through the Interact Club, the school is partnered with the Mahatma Gandhi Siksha Sadan in India, so the students made an effort to showcase bits and pieces of traditional practices from that school. Pictured, many students lined up to get henna tattoos, a tradtional art form practiced in India. The day also included chai and naan tasting, Bollywood dancing, and cricket practice. /EMILY STONEHOUSE staff

to one of the students!
Hi! My name is Calla, what's yours? I'm from Ontario and today we're doing a culture fest for India!
Have a great day!
Dear Student in India,
My name is Annika and I live in Haliburton, Ontario, Canada. I think it's so cool that your school and my school are partners and that we get to help you out! We hosted an event
to show the people in our school more about your school, and it's been amazing learning more about your culture!
Haliburton Highlands Secondary School

Annika Gervais from the Interact Club offered students a chance to send postcards to the students from the paired school in India. The two schools have been working together for five years.

Hal High Monthly

Hal High Monthly is written by the Haliburton Highlands Secondary School leadership class featuring monthy school news.

By: Ethan Durepos (Gr. 11), Johnny Lilly (Gr. 12), Devon Michael-Lyddiatt (Gr. 12), Shayla Newhook (Gr. 11), Mason Thompson (Gr. 11), Jaden Vanderwindt (Gr. 12)

During the month of April our school was busy with some great events and activities!

In sports, our athletes were active in a number of different sports and events. Many of our amazing badminton stars made the COSSA championship, representing Hal High well at the tournament. The recreational leadership class also hosted the second annual cornhole classic! Tournaments were divided into senior and junior with countless students teaming up to see who could win it all. There was a costume contest included, with teams creating the best Haliburton-themed costumes. Students who won had their names placed on the trophy as well as winning giftcards for Tim Hortons. The school is also proud to announce that for the first time ever there is an ultimate frisbee team which began competing last month.

The Prom Committee hosted a"spring fling" themed semi-formal dance at the beginning of the month. The school had a blast during the dance, making memories for the 2024 -2025 year. The highlight of the dance was our amazing young dance star Alex Rodriguez-Perrez as he took to the dance floor to show off his skills.

The leadership class hosted a pastel colour theme day and an Easter egg hunt to celebrate the Easter holidays. Our school held a two day long Easter hunt. Students could exchange the eggs found for chocolate after the hunt ended.

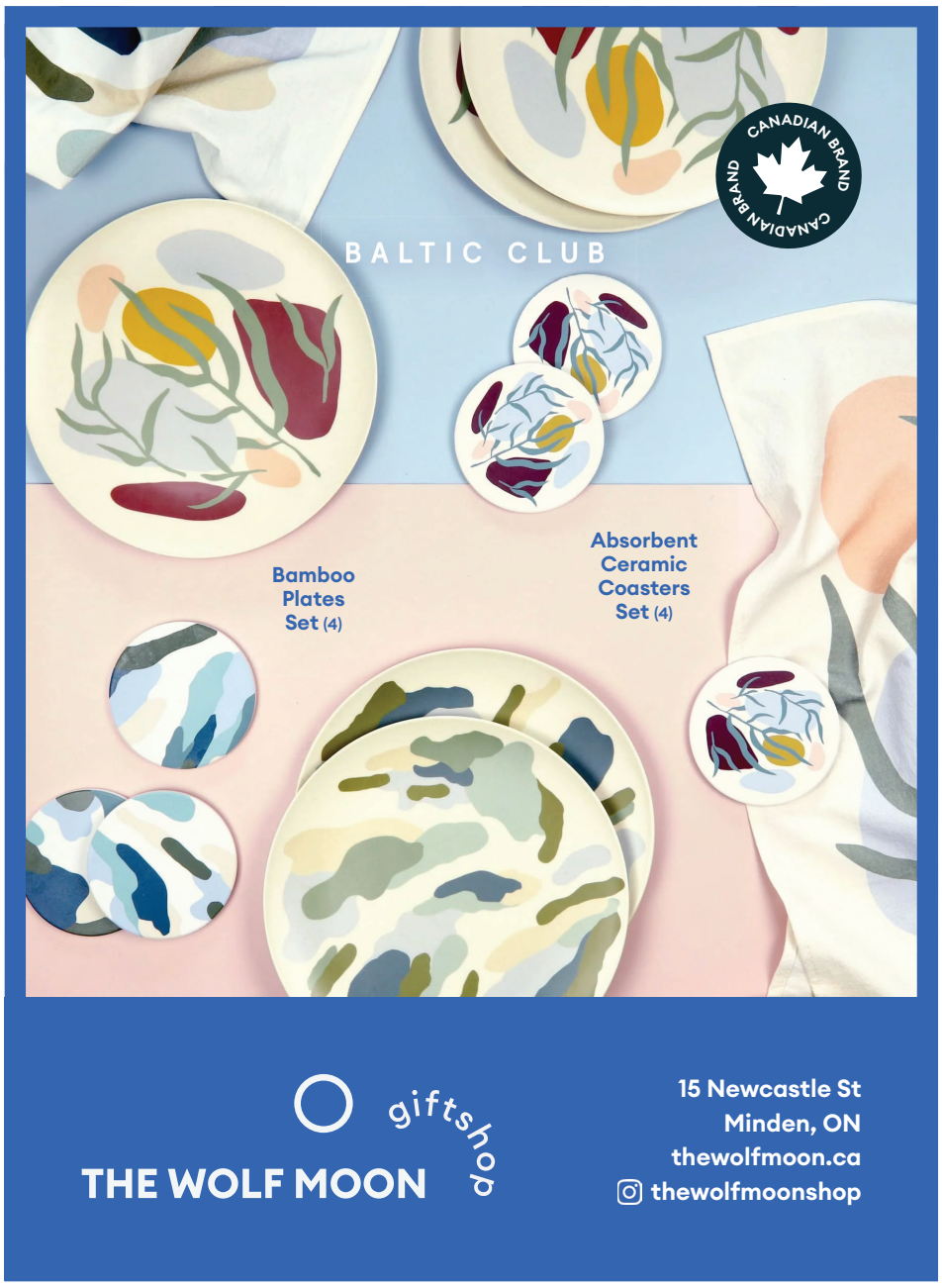
Over the Easter week, students from our school went on a week-long trip to Europe visiting multiple countries. They visited Big Ben in the United Kingdom and later made their way under the English channel via the Euro train to visit Paris, France and explored the Louvre Museum. They then visited Switzerland and passed through Austria and Liechtenstein while on the way. While in Switzerland they visited the famous Lindt Chocolate Factory as well as taking a train to see the breathtaking Swiss Alps, a beautiful mountain range. Lastly they travelled to Munich, Germany and visited the Dachau camp.

Our HHSS Drama Club has been hard at work preparing for their production of *A Midsummer Night's Dream*. The cast and crew have been busy rehearsing, learning their lines, and creating props and set pieces for the play. They are excited to perform the play on May 23 to 25 at 7 p.m. on Friday and Saturday and a 2 p.m. matinee on the Sunday. The play is open to the public and tickets will be available at the door for a suggested donation of $10.

Hal High has had a busy month and is excited to begin heading into the end of the year celebrations.

Soccer stars

The Hal High Girls' soccer team fell 1-0 to the visiting Holy Cross Secondary School last week. The Red Hawk girls will continue their season in the coming weeks. / TIM YANO staff photographer



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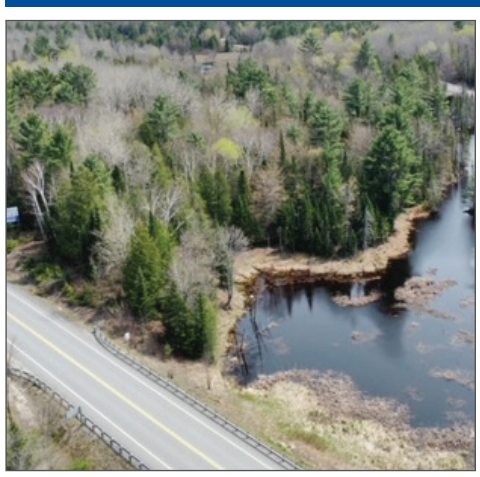

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Highlands Summer Festival hits the stage

EMILY STONEHOUSE
Editor

Urinetown: the Musical rehearsals are well underway, with a fully stacked, local cast ready to hit the stage in a few short weeks. /photo submitted

It's almost showtime.

And it's all coming together.

Audiences attending this year's Highlands Summer Festival Productions are in a real treat. With a full lineup kicking off with *Urinetown: the Musica*l on July 1.

And rehearsals are well underway. Douglas Walker is the director for the coming musical, as well as the artistic director for the entire festival. "I really love musicals," he said. "That was my first big introduction to theatre, was musical theatre."

Urinetown is a well-known play that has hit stages around the world. As a satirical farce with interwoven political undertones, the show is sure to appeal to audiences of all ages.

That's why Walker was adamant about casting all ages. "The show has been done with all adults, or all students before, but it's set in a town, and a real town would have people of all ages in it."

He says that by adding kids to the cast, it allows for variety in the songs, the costumes, and the audiences. So far, four weekends of rehearsals in, he's been deeply impressed with the professionalism and decorum of the cast as a whole. "I usually send out a little email before a show, just to remind people of rehearsal etiquette," he laughed. "But I didn't have to do that with this crew. They've just been amazing."

The stacked cast of 16 locals will have some familiar faces, as well as some who are brand new to the stage. But Douglas was able to cast the whole show from only two audition sessions. "Everyone's auditions were very strong," he said. "We really lucked out."

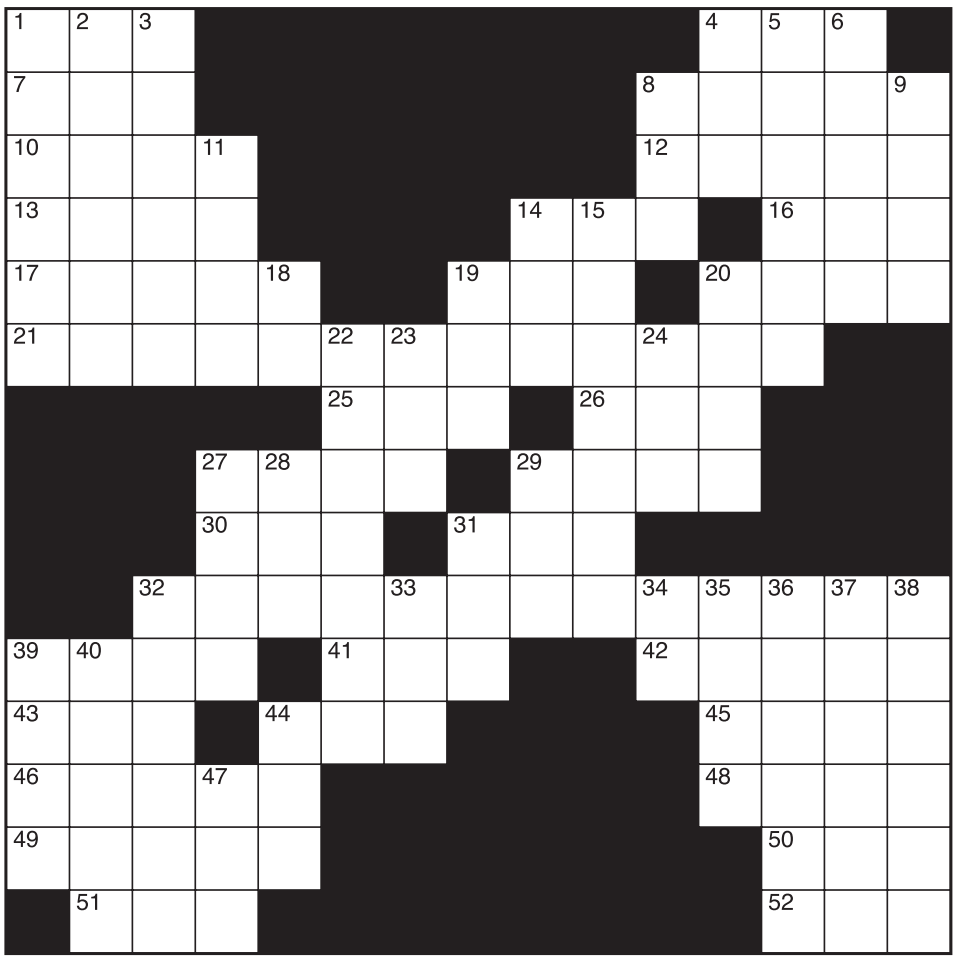
The cast started meeting a few weeks ago, and will continue to meet every weekend leading up to showtime. Right before opening night, they will have the opportunity to rehearse a few times on the real stage, with all prior rehearsals happening in the Highlands Summer Festival's shop. Currently, crews are working alongside the actors to build the sets for the coming shows. "All the crew builders and painters have been just amazing," said Walker, noting the complex, two-level set required for the coming musical. He also noted that actors have been given the chance to start rehearsing with props and costumes, provided and created by longtime Summer Festival alumni Melissa Stephens.

The Festival generally kicks off with a bang, or in this case, a musical. The next show in the lineup is a two-person romantic drama called *Salt Water Moon,* and the third is the comedy titled *Drinking Habits.* There are an array of musical talents and performances sprinkled throughout the season as well.

While *Urinetown: the Musical* carries on with rehearsals, the other plays start to take shape in the form of casting, rehearsals, and costumes. Walker shared that he was incredibly impressed with the auditions this year, and said that he found the majority of the roles fell into place quite naturally.

It's shaping up to be a successful season of theatre ahead.

For tickets for the upcoming shows or for more information, visit www.highlandssummerfestival.on.ca.



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7. Afflict
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13. Rhine distributary
14. Recipe measurement
16. Chap
17. Useful book
19. Mountain Time
20. Snakelike fishes
21. Places where people live
25. US, Latin America, Canada belong to
26. Periodical
27. A type of sense
29. A way to get possession of
30. Everyone has one
31. Body art
32. Mr. October
39. Abba __, Israeli politician
41. Head movement
42. Jeweled headdress
43. VCR button
44. A way to change color
45. Basketball move
46. Upright stone slab
48. Forest-dwelling monkey
49. Pulsate steadily
50. Negative
51. Sino-Soviet bloc (abbr.)
52. Unit of work

CLUES DOWN
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2. Pittsburgh ballplayer
3. Chemical compound
4. Indicates density of data (abbr.)
5. Mesas
6. Wild, long-legged sheep
8. Engine additive
9. "CSI" actor George
11. Stony waste matter
14. Thyroid-stimulating hormone
15. Pores in a leaf's epidermis
18. Digraph
19. Married woman
20. Peripheral
22. Northern Italy city
23. Klutz
24. Type of tree
27. Witnessed
28. Popular breakfast food
29. __ Mahal
31. BoSox legend Williams
32. Professional drivers
33. Atom or molecule type
34. The Constitution State
35. Chest to store clothes (Scottish)
36. Type of solution
37. Speaker
38. Specifying
39. Formerly (archaic)
40. Wiseman and Krom are two
44. The bill in a restaurant
47. Tennis shot

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HHSS Drama Club prepares for *A Midsummer Night's Dream*

THOMAS SMITH
Staff Reporter

For the past two months, students with the Haliburton Highlands Secondary School's Drama Club have been working hard in preparation for their performance of *A Midsummer Night's Dream*. Their latest Shakespearean performance was *Star Cross Hat Trick*, a modern retelling of *Romeo and Juliet* that ended its run two years ago.

"I think it's a fun play," said Veronica Beynon, a cast member. "It's been very fun to explore the comedy that comes with Shakespeare. A lot of brain power has been dedicated to figuring out his wording and his dialect."

Set in a woodland, *A Midsummer Night's Dream* revolves around four Athenian lovers, six play-within-a-play actors known as The Mechanicals, and a plethora of fairy inhabitants of the forest.

From being transformed into a donkey, to twisting love triangles, supernatural shenanigans ensue throughout the play, *A Midsummer Night's Dream* is one of Shakespeare's most frequently produced plays for good reason.

"I love the process of getting into the character and helping to set the stage to make everything feel alive and entertaining," said Beynon. "Hearing people laugh, clap, or gasp is very, very fun when you're the one controlling the scene."

Beynon is cast as Bottom, who is the head of The Mechanicals.

"She is very eager to play, participate, and is over energetic," said Beynon.

"I like the ability to become someone else," said Sadie Kelly, a cast member.

Kelly plays Starveling, a character who Kelly describes as a "a straightforward, work-focused, but slightly skittish guy who kind of got dragged into the role."

Set in a forest, the Drama Club has been hard at work creating a tree for fairies to hide in and a log to jump on as a setpiece.

A Midsummer Night's Dream is being directed by faculty member Rebeka Borgdorff, stage managed by teacher Christine Carr, and teacher Meghan Mardus is the lead of crew. Ctrl-Art-Del's Ella Leis and Tim Nicholson are also providing assistance and direction.

The HHSS' Drama Club's presentation of *A Midsummer Night's Dream* will be taking place at the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion on May 23 and 24 at 7 p.m. and on May 25 at 2 p.m.

Tickets can be purchased at the door by donation, with a suggested donation of $10. All of the money raised by the production will be reinvested in future productions of the Drama Club with the high school.

From left, Lillian Ramsdale, Finn Taylor-Bayly, and Annabelle Borgdorff star in the HHSS Drama Club's production of *A Midsummer Night's Dream*. /THOMAS SMITH staff

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(Applicant – Pratt)

In the matter of the *Municipal Act* and in the matter of a proposed By-Law of the Corporation of the Municipality of Highlands East to close, stop-up and convey certain portions of Part of the Shore Road Allowance for road along the shore of **Stormy Lake**, more particularly hereinafter described.

Notice Is Hereby Given, pursuant to the *Municipal Act, S.O. 2001*, and the Municipal Procedures, that the Township Council of The Corporation of the Municipality of Highlands East proposes to consider and if deemed advisable, to pass at a virtual meeting on **Tuesday, June 17, 2025**, at 9:30 a.m., a By-Law to close, stop-up and convey to the adjacent land owners the following described lands:

Part of Road Allowance in front of Lot 26, Concession 14, Municipality of Highlands East, County of Haliburton, shown as Part 1 on Plan 19R-11096 made by **Elliott and Parr, completed October 26th, 2022.**

The Plan of Survey 19R-11092 is available to you for inspection by you making an appointment at the Municipality of Highlands East offices, Wilberforce, Ontario.

The above described lands, by resolution, have been declared to be surplus. If you wish to attend the virtual meeting, please call or e-mail the Municipal Clerk prior to the day of the public meeting so you can be provided with a link or phone number for the meeting. If you do not have the capability to attend a virtual meeting, please provide written comments to the Municipal Clerk prior to the public meeting.

Any person or his or her counsel, solicitor or agent who attends the virtual meeting shall be afforded an opportunity to make representations in respect of the within matter.

And Take Further Notice that if the public wishes to participate regarding the purchase of Part of the Shore Road Allowance please contact the Municipal Clerk.

Dated at the Municipality of Highlands East, Wilberforce, Ontario this 13th day of May, 2025.

Robyn Rogers, Municipal Clerk
Box 295, 2249 Loop Road,
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Notice
(Applicant – Begin)

In the matter of the *Municipal Act* and in the matter of a proposed By-Law of the Corporation of the Municipality of Highlands East to close, stop-up and convey certain portions of Part of the Original Shore Road Allowance along the shore of **Koshlong Lake**, more particularly hereinafter described.

Notice Is Hereby Given, pursuant to the *Municipal Act, S.O. 2001*, and the Municipal Procedures, that the Township Council of The Corporation of the Municipality of Highlands East proposes to consider and if deemed advisable, to pass at a virtual meeting on **Tuesday the 17th day of June, 2025**, at 9:30 a.m., a By-Law to close, stop-up and convey to the adjacent land owners the following described lands:

Firstly: Part of Lots 11 and 12 shown as Road Allowance on Registered Plan 201, Concession 15, Township of Glamorgan, Municipality of Highlands East, County of Haliburton, shown as Part 1 on Plan of Survey 19R-11092, made by **Bishop Geyer Surveying Inc. completed July 22, 2024.**

Secondly: Part of the Original Shore Road Allowance in front of Lots 11 & 12 Concession 15, Township of Glamorgan, Municipality of Highlands East, County of Haliburton, shown as Parts 2 and 3 on Plan of Survey 19R-11092 made by **Bishop Geyer Surveying Inc. completed July 22, 2024** *(Part 3 being the flooded portion to be retained by the Municipality of Highlands East).*

The Plan of Survey 19R-11092 is available to you for inspection by you making an appointment at the Municipality of Highlands East offices, Wilberforce, Ontario.

The above described lands, by resolution, have been declared to be surplus. If you wish to attend the virtual meeting, please call or e-mail the Municipal Clerk prior to the day of the public meeting so you can be provided with a link or phone number for the meeting. If you do not have the capability to attend a virtual meeting, please provide written comments to the Municipal Clerk prior to the public meeting.

Any person or his or her counsel, solicitor or agent who attends the virtual meeting shall be afforded an opportunity to make representations in respect of the within matter.

And Take Further Notice that if the public wishes to participate regarding the purchase of Shoreline Road Allowance please contact the Municipal Clerk.

Dated at the Municipality of Highlands East, Wilberforce, Ontario this 13th day of May, 2025.

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Tenders

The Municipality of Dysart et al invites vendors to submit bids for any or all tenders:

- **2025-PW-10 Winter Sand Screening**
There is a mandatory site meeting requirement for this bid opportunity on May 29th, 2025.
Visit Bids and Tenders for further information
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- **2025-PW-11 Cleaning, Flushing & CCTV Inspection of Pipe Sewers, Catch Basins & Maintenance Holes**
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Once upon a cottage kitchen

JANET TRULL

Special to the Echo

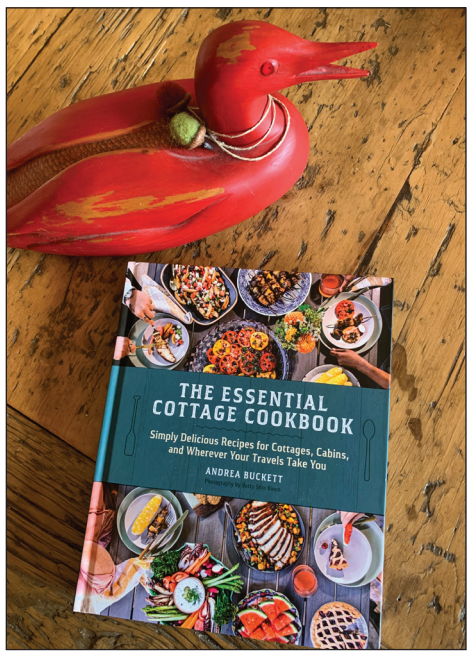
There are celebrities among us in the Haliburton Highlands. Meet Andrea Buckett, chef, TV personality, and star of a popular online show called *Andrea Buckett Cooks*. If you follow Andrea on Instagram, you know she makes meal preparation fun, practical, and elegant. She offers dozens of "five ingredient recipes" and a popular fridge clean out feature called, "What the Hell am I Going to Do With This?"

So when she told me a few years ago that she was working on the *Essential Cottage Cookbook*, I knew it would have pride of place in my cottage kitchen. Then, when she called a few months later to say that Penguin Random House Canada was going to publish it, I was beyond impressed. Local authors know how incredibly hard it is to interest a big publishing company in your work. I am so proud of her.

Many years have passed since eleven-year-old Andrea knocked on my cottage door to introduce herself and her little sister. She was so mature and confident, I offered her a cup of tea, thinking she was a young mom. Since then, I've watched Andrea embark on a lifetime of adventurous journeys, career paths and creative projects. Fearless and smart, she combines new learning with time-tested traditions and the result is a fabulous cookbook that will be available in time for your May long weekend bash. The book is filled with recipes that can be prepared in the simplest of cottage kitchens, on the barbecue, and over the campfire. Andrea's love of cottaging goes back to early childhood memories on Lake Kashagawigamog, as she tells about in her introduction.

"In 1955, my grandmother and her three sisters purchased a plot of land in Ingoldsby, Ontario, just outside of Minden in the Haliburton Highlands. They each built a cottage there, to enjoy time together as their families expanded. It was affectionately known as The Hilltop, and my dad would go there with his family as often as they could when he was growing up. And when I was a kid, the tradition continued. Some of my favorite summer memories are at The Hilltop with my cousins, aunts, and uncles. But these cottages were, and are, rustic - I'm talking outhouses and no running water. I remember hauling in rainwater to do dishes and taking an impromptu shower when it rained."

The *Essential Cottage Cookbook* is a treasury of recipes that will make your cottage meals special. Buckett draws on a lifetime of highland summers to share the very best kind of cottage fare. Hearty breakfasts and happy hour treats have been tested in real cottage kitchens (including my own!), where cooks must improvise when friends show up unexpectedly at the dock. Andrea's recipes reflect her philosophy on the simplicity of cottage life.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ANDREA BUCKETT

Chef Andrea Buckett's newest local book. /photo submitted

"Whether you call it a cottage, cabin, chalet, lake house, camp, or trailer, the experience is universal. It's about getting away from the daily grind, taking a breather, and spending time surrounded by nature," she writes.

Her not-so-secret formula for success is simplicity, seasonality and sentimentality, with tips that keep meal preparation real. When cooking with Andrea, the main ingredient is always love and laughter. My own cottage experiences are filled with memories of past generations; grandpas who taught us to paddle, crazy uncles who pulled off ridiculous water-skiing stunts, and aunties who never let a kid win at gin rummy. So my favourite takeaway from her cookbook is this quote:

"Make room at the cottage table for all the benevolent ghosts," Andrea says. "They're right behind you, preparing your favorite cheese tea biscuits, eating, and cleaning up. Shared meals at the cottage are some of the most delicious and satisfying experiences."

Running my eyes down the list of recipes, I can't wait to try Smoked Fish and Asparagus Salad with Pickled Rhubarb Dressing, Wobbly Pop Milkshakes, Ratatouille Crumble Pie, Creamy Horseradish Roots with Roast Beef and… wait for it: Cottage Sink Banana Splits. Oh man, it's going to be a fabulous summer.

Details are on her website: andreabuckett.com

Spinning stories

Haliburton School of Art and Design have kicked off their summer courses this past week, including Spinning for Beginners, taught by Julia Lee and Joan McKenzie. The one-week course allowed participants to learn the art of twisting fibre into yarn, and were introduced to raw, washed, and dyed wool to use throughout the week. The school will be open for the duration of the summer, providing a variety of arts courses for all ages. /TIM YANO staff photographer

Wilberforce library hub of gardening know-how

THOMAS SMITH

Staff Reporter

Maureen Moore's community sessions on vegetable gardening may be a secret weapon in the county's arsenal for combating food insecurity.

A staff member of the Haliburton County Public Library (HCPL), Moore is also a double agent with the Haliburton County Master Gardeners. A perfect unity of knowledge and opportunity to provide a session with the HCPL, Moore has already offered two sessions of "How to Start a Vegetable Garden" throughout the county at the Wilberforce and Minden Hills branches of the HCPL.

In the past, Moore has presented on gardening and food preservation extensively.

Moore's earliest memories of gardening are with her father. As soon as she was able to walk, she was helping her father in the greenhouse at the family's farm, located in Kinmount. Moore has over 50 years of gardening experience and wants to share that knowledge with the community.

Gardening along the Canadian Shield has its challenges. When soil can be found it is often loose and loamy.

One variable cannot be controlled and it is the most challenging of all, says Moore. "The weather, the weather, the weather," she said.

With unpredictable ice storms, late frosts, and soaring spring heat, Moore says that the weather conditions in the county have been highly challenging in the past three to four years.

"How to Start a Vegetable Garden" events are for everyone that is wanting to grow vegetables, at all skill levels. Often, attendees attend to learn about growing a garden at their cottage.

Cottages are also challenging for gardening as they tend to be highly shaded, with more roots and less soil space to use for a garden than average.

Participating in the session is entirely free.

During the session, Moore discusses what type of vegetables grow well in the county, how to manage your garden space, reasons for gardening, challenges, and time needed for gardening.

"I think it is really important," said Moore. "These days, food security is so much more important in our area."

While Moore presents slides using a PowerPoint presentation, her goal is to facilitate open discussion. Often, attendees are also wells of knowledge that can share with the other participants, says Moore.

The presentations usually have around 10 people with larger audiences during the cottage season.

With our loose, sandy soil in the county, Moore says that it is adequate for root vegetables such as carrots, potatoes, and turnips. They also tend to enjoy the cooler temperatures on average with conditions perfectly lining up for a fall harvest. Her favourite vegetable to grow are tomatoes.

"They grow amazingly well here," said Moore.

Moore is proud to offer the vegetable gardening workshop, with several gardening workshops planned for the Wilberforce branch of the HCPL.

On Sunday May 25, Moore will also be attending the Haliburton County Master Growers' Seedling Swap. She encourages all gardeners of all abilities to come to the swap, ask questions, and bring home some new plants to try out in your garden. Gardeners are encouraged to bring any extra leftover seedlings that they have to the event, or bring some to swap with other gardeners.

Ramping up the Farmers' Market

The Haliburton Farmers' Market officially kicked off last week on a beautiful Tuesday morning. The market will be in Head Lake Park every Tuesday from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. until Thanksgiving. Pictured, members from Killara Station showcase their fresh leeks. /EMILY STONEHOUSE staff

We want to hear from you!

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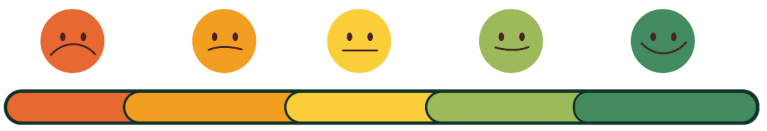

Dysart is reviewing shoreline protection policies of the Official Plan and Zoning By-law. The intent is to permit one (1) building near the shoreline of a waterbody. As part of this update, we will be seeking public feedback in the following ways:

- A survey available between May 15 and June 15, 2025 to collect local perspectives on shoreline development.
- A Public Open House scheduled for 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, July 8th, 2025 at the Municipal Office at on 135 Maple Avenue. In-person and virtual participation will be permitted.

Please visit **www.dysartetal.ca/feedback** for further information.

Municipality of Dysart et al

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NOTICE OF COUNCIL MEETING
TO CONSIDER AN APPLICATION
TO PURCHASE AN ORIGINAL ALLOWANCE FOR ROAD
MUNICIPALITY OF DYSART ET AL

DATE: May 27, 2025
TIME: Any person who wishes to address Council should contact the Planning Department for a delegation time.

LOCATION: Council Chambers, Municipal Office, 135 Maple Ave., Haliburton, Ontario.

APPLICATIONS:
The Council of the Corporation of the United Townships of Dysart et al has, by resolution, declared the following parcels of land to be surplus.

Applicants: Norris & Bleasdale
Location: 1341 True North Rd.
Part of Cowling Drive (True North Rd.), Plan 447, in Lot 6, Concession 10, Geographic Township of Dudley, defined as Part 1 on Registered Plan 19R-11094 prepared by Bishop Geyer Surveying Inc. Dated Nov 20, 2024

NOTICE IS GIVEN that the Council of the Corporation of the United Townships of Dysart et al proposes to consider and if deemed appropriate enact at its meeting as noted above, a by-law to close, stop-up and convey the portion of road allowance described above.

BEFORE PASSING the said by-law, the Council of the Corporation of the United Townships of Dysart et al shall at its meeting to be held as noted above, hear in person or by his counsel, solicitor or agent, any person who claims that his land will be affected by the said by-law.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION is available for review from the Planning Department at the Municipal Office during regular offices hours (8:30 am. to 4:30 pm. Monday to Friday).

DATED at the Township of Dysart, this 20th day of May 2025.

Lana McLeaming
Planning Administrative Clerk

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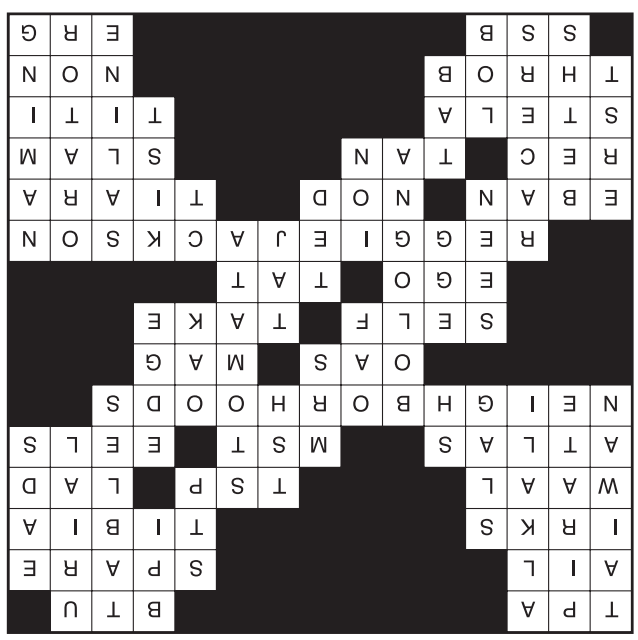

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Minden firemen vote to reject wage settlement

Unless a wage settlement is reached between the Minden volunteer firefighters and Anson, Hindon and Minden council, a rift could be in the making.

The Minden firefighters turned down council's wage offer at a meeting two weeks ago. Council, at a preliminary budget meeting a month ago, presented the firefighters with a proposal for a $1.50 raise for the first hour on duty, and a 75 cent raise for each hour after that. The offer also called for a similar raise for the firefighters in 1980, bringing the wages up to ten dollars the first hour and five dollars for each additional hour spent at the scene of a fire. The firefighters currently receive seven dollars for the first hour and $3.50 for additional hours.

But at a council meeting last Wednesday, fire chief William Jackson said 90 percent of the men voted to reject council's offer. The men, he said, want the proposed two year increases, which total $3 for the first hour and $1.50 for each additional hour, this year. Negotiations for wages have not bee held since 1965.

The Dysart fire department is the only other force in the county which receives pay. The men are payed four dollars an hour for fighting fires and a dollar an hour for practice sessions.

"We want to give you the raise, but we don't want to go any further than we have to," reeve Sinc Nesbitt told Jackson. The firefighters want an $1800 boost in the department budget, which would bring it up to $37,306 over last year's $35,062.

"The increase isn't that bad," said councillor Stu Brandon after the meeting, "but the wage portion out of that is considerable."

Both Brandon and councillor Lyle McKnight raised the point at the meeting that the firefighters should have reviewed their wages annually, asking for smaller increases over a period of time rather than requesting a considerable raise after 15 years.

"I think we are quite flexible in granting the fire department those wages," Brandon said of council's offer.

Jackson said he felt the department's request was a reasonable one, and that "the boys aren't being selfish at all." He pointed to the fact that the department was $6000 under budget last year, and the money was not used. "Costs per capita and loss per capita are less than any other department in the county," he claimed.

Nesbitt told Jackson that his department is the highest paid department in the county, and Jackson countered by saying they were also "the most ill-equipped."

Finally, Jackson stated that he would take council's decision to the men, "but I know they'll turn it down." A meeting between the firefighters will take place in two weeks to discuss the situation.

At the preliminary budget meeting two weeks ago, council agreed to budget $3500 for uniforms, while an additional $3500 will come from the firefighters own pockets.

Last year, wages paid to the 18-man department totalled $4800.

Thieves smash store windows

Thieves smashed windows at three Haliburton Village businesses early last Wednesday morning and got away with goods valued at $625.

A hole was smashed in a window at Varty Jewellers and two men's watches were taken from the main display window. The watches were valued at $459, and the broken window was valued at $200.

At approximately the same time, a window was also smashed at the Driftwood Restaurant. Nothing was reported missing from the premises. Damage to the window was set at $36.

Also at about the same time, a window at the LCBO store on the village's main street was broken to give thieves access to the store. Approximately $166 worth of liquor was taken in that incident.

The broken window was valued at $60.

Students from Haliburton Highlands Secondary School who went on a recent trip to Mexico assembled at the home of Jim Leworthy last week to discuss the sights they saw and the fun they had. Here, Barry Devolin, Miriam Vanderwal and Ted Brandon of Grade 11 examine a miniature Mexican statue.

Citizen demands action on dismissed firemen, council stands firm

Stanhope headaches remain

Since clerk Gerald Bain withdrew his resignation two weeks ago and agreed to work with all the committees of council, including the fire department, Stanhope council has enjoyed a respite from its fire department headaches. But at least one Stanhope ratepayer is convinced that justice hasn't yet been done, and at last Wednesday's council meeting, she brought the fire department issue up once more.

Louise Watson, who acted as spokesman for a ratepayers' petition presented at council's April meeting, asked last Wednesday what council intended to do about the four firemen who were dismissed by chief Richard Kinsman last September.

"I don't think it (the fire department issue) will go away until the problem is righted," Watson said.

Reeve Jim Harrison said that when the four, (Ross Ballantyne, Bob Jennings, Neil Griffin and Larry Hewitt) along with chief Kinsman, were asked for their resignation last October, council's resolution included the clause that any one of the men could apply to be reinstated on the department after a three month period.

"But they were manouevered into that position," Watson said, adding that council then reinstated one man (Richard Kinsman) and not the others.

"Why should you be shoving it for them?" councillor Elvin Johnson asked.

"Because I don't feel they were justly dealt with," Watson replied.

"I feel they were justly dealt with," Johnson countered, asking Watson why she would not let the issue "die down".

If they were reinstated, he said they would "create the same problems they were creating before."

Councillor Roger Woods, who is council's representative to the department, said he was still unable to get a true picture of the problems that had split the department originally.

"When you go to three or four different people, you get three or four different opinions," he said.

Reeve Harrison said he had done some checking and that he keeps getting "two different stories". He added however, that the new fire department by-law, which is awaiting fire marshal's approval before it is on the books, should help clear up the problems.

Deputy-reeve Elgin Stouffer, who along with reeve Harrison voted against reappointing chief Kinsman to the department for a probationary period last December, asked why the chief had never complied with council's original request that he meet with the four dismissed men to iron out their differences.

"You were council's representative (to the department) then," reeve Harrison said. "You should be able to answer that."

"I can't," Stouffer replied.

Harrison said he was continuing his investigation into the fire department, and the performance of the chief, and that he expected to have a report ready for council's June meeting.

At that meeting, council must decide whether or not to reappoint Richard Kinsman to the position of chief following the expiry of his six month probationary appointment to the job.

Real estate board objects to proposal for cooling off period

Local real estate sales people are objecting to a proposal that would make mandatory, a 48 hour "cooling off" period for real estate deals.

The proposal in the form of a resolution from the Town of Techumseh, calls on the provincial attorney general to seek legislation that would make the cooking off period law.

Stanhope council endorsed the Tecumseh resolution at their April meeting, and last Wednesday, a representative from the local real estate board was on hand to tell council why the board thinks the proposal would do more harm than good.

Don Archer told council that if the proposal becomes law, it will "make a joke of real estate sales".

The Tecumseh resolution, which has been sent to all Ontario municipalities for consideration, claims that many people who lack business understanding "are being taken advantage of by unscrupulous dealers in the real estate field". It also contends that senior citizens and the public "are urged and many times talked into signing documents without the benefit of proper advise" and that "most individuals, especially senior citizens who sign agreements of purchase and sale, do not seek legal advice before signing."

It concludes by urging the passing of legislation that would allow people who have signed an agreement of purchase and sale 48 hours in which they may cancel the agreement.

Notice of Stanhope's endorsation of the Tecumseh resolution was sent to the local real estate board, prompting the response last Wednesday.

Archer told council that Saturdays are "the big selling day" for real estate salesman in the Haliburton area and that the cooling off period would mean that an offer put on a property in the morning would freeze the property for further offers for the 48 hour period.

Citing a response to the Tecumseh resolution prepared by the Ontario Real Estate Association, Archer told council that the market would be severely hampered if every offer on a property could be withdrawn within 48 hours, or if a vendor could "sit" on an offer for the same period.

According to the OREA brief, "the concept of a cooling off period also opens up a Pandora's box of frivolous offers which can be given and withdrawn at will within the specified time frame."

Archer said the Tecumseh resolution is based on a single case in which an unethical real estate salesman duped an elderly woman into selling her house to him for less than the market value. He was then in a position to resell it at a profit.

"But how often has it happened that we haven't been aware of," reeve Jim Harrison said. "I'm not saying you (real estate salesmen) are out to shaft little old ladies," but he added that the resolution if acted upon, would give people without business knowledge time to consult a lawyer.

At present, a person who feels they have been dealt with unfairly by real estate salesman can appeal to the ethics committee of the local real estate board, can contact the registrar of real estate in the Ministry of Consumer and Commercial Relations, or can take the matter to the courts.

Councillor Roger woods

Councillor Roger Woods said council's intention in endorsing the resolution, was not that anyone should be allowed to withdraw an offer, but that a cooling off period would provide protection for senior citizens and others who might easily be taken in.

"The problem here is that it covers everybody," Archer said, adding that if it became law, real estate fees, which

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Work on art gallery nearing completion

Station is coming alive again

For decades, as long time residents will tell you, it was one of the most important buildings in the village. Over the course of years, thousands of people have stood on its platform and awaited the snorting black locomotives that pulled their trains to Lindsay, or that screeched to a hissing halt just up the track, bringing passengers they waited to greet.

In its waiting room, when the air was chilly or the rain fell, they bought tickets from a visored station agent, listened to the chatter of the telegraph, cast glances at the railroad clock that was never allowed to be wrong, and huddled around the warmth of the wood stove.

It was a humble building then, built quickly, and with only as much concern for craftsmanship as was essential to make the structure stand firm against the forces of wind and frost.

But when the roads began to carry most of the traffic and the steam locomotives were taken off the rails, the Haliburton station fell into disuse. It became a warehouse and its boards, no longer painted as often as they needed to be, weathered badly. Dust gathered on floors where passengers had waited and where luggage and freight had been piled. Seasons of frost and melt made the roof sag downward at the gable ends and left the wood cracking. The signs were removed, the windows became streaked with grime, and weeds sprang up between rails that had once glistened from the polishing of steel wheels and the grinding of sand the locomotives spewed for traction.

Now, however, the station is coming alive again. The cracked wood is being replaced, the platform is about to be repaved, the signs will be rehung, and the wood stove will cast its warmth over winter once again. In fact, if all goes according to plan, the Haliburton station will soon regain its place as one of the most important buildings in the community. By mid July, the station will open its doors to the public as the Guild Station Gallery, a cultural centre for the village.

The transformation from derelict to gallery hasn't come easily, but through the combined efforts of the Guild, the municipality, the provincial government and local

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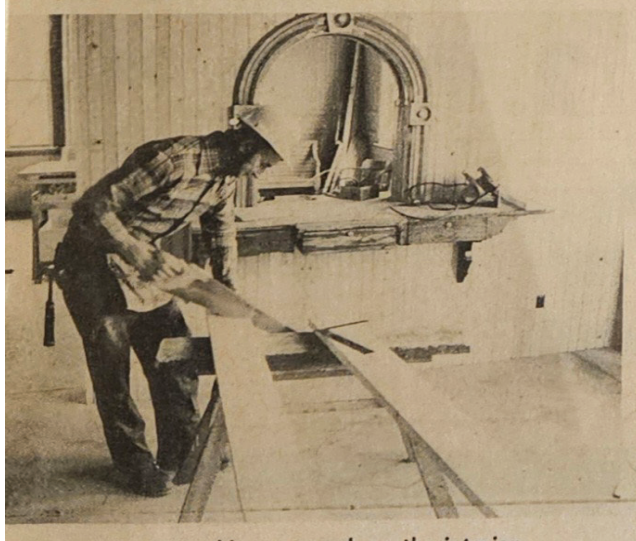

Victor Hutchings at work on the interior

Company announces plan for prehistoric theme park

Work is expected to begin within a month on a 100 acre theme park near Haliburton Village.

David Ingle, general manager of Global International, a Cambridge development firm which owns the site, said Tuesday that the park will feature displays of prehistoric animals, reptiles, serpents, and cave men replicas, all in a natural setting.

"It is something very unusual and very unique," Ingle said, adding that the park will be the only one of its kind in Ontario.

Preliminary work on the site will include clearing of display areas, excavating, road construction, rock removal, the construction of trailer sites and the installation of septic systems. Complete development of the site, which is expected to include a motel, gas bar, concessions, and a house for the park's manager, will take approximately four years, Ingle said.

Tendering for the work will be handled from Toronto, Ingle said, but local contractors are expected to be used

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Feasibility study examines proposal for 'Stonehenge'

Haliburton Village may soon have a new tourist attraction. Three students will be doing a feasibility study under a Young Canada Works Program to investigate the possibility this summer.

The project is, according to its organizer, Frank Wallace, a "Canadian Stonehenge." The Rotary Club of Haliburton has agreed to supply the land, which is located above highway #121 on the hill overlooking the village and Head Lake.

"The secret, to my way of thinking, is to get the media to cover it (the project) in a big way so that it puts Haliburton on the map right away," said Wallace. Letters have been sent to the major networks, he said.

The students undertaking the feasibility study, Mike Wright and Shelley Thompson of Grade 11 and Jackie Cox of Grade 13, will investigate costs of rocks, transportation, equipment and labour requirements. They will complete a plan of the site, and eventually build a plaster of paris model, showing the proposed structure to scale. Wallace hopes that a replica, ~~or close to a replica, of the~~ original Stonehenge site in England can be built. But if this isn't possible, he said the plan could be changed or

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Echo office will be closed for Victoria Day

The office of the Haliburton County Echo and Minden Recorder will be close Victoria Day, Monday, May 23. Please note that the deadline for display advertising, for May 23 issue only, will be Friday, May 18, at 5 p.m. Deadline for classified ads will also be Friday at 5 p.m. for this week only.

Auxiliary OPP: volunteer police

by Joe Banks

Back in the 50's, they were known as the Emergency Measures Organization. Today, they're known as the Ontario Provincial Police auxiliary, and since the force took EMO over in 1960, knowledge of this psuedo police branch has been limited, and very low profile.

But during this week, Police Week, the auxiliary will stand, with the regular force, and take their bows. And they'll do it deservedly, because the work that these volunteer members of the branch do is quite substantial.

Dick Schell in uniform

In Haliburton County, there are four members on the auxiliary. Dick Schell is the district corporal, and has been with the auxiliary since 1967. Other members include county warden Jim Harrison, Bob English and Brent Clarkson.

Their purpose is simple. Under emergency situations, the auxiliary OPP backs up the regular force, and assists them in their duties. But because large emergencies rarely happen at the Minden detachment, where the local auxiliary is based, the duties basically consist of training, and if requested, assisting the force with less important tasks.

"All we are doing right now is training," said Schell. The men meet twice a month, and they are required to have a minimum of eight hours cruiser training each month. Officers from the regular force train the auxiliary members on the job while on cruiser patrol. Other skills the men learn are revolver usage, court procedures, marine patrol, traffic and crowd control, radio operation, snowmobile and other department vehicle operation. They keep notebooks, and wear the same uniforms as the regular force, with the exception of the shoulder patches. It's strictly volunteer work and the members keep their own hours. They can come and go from the Minden detachment anytime they want to train.

Schell says the auxiliary has had to use the skills they learned in court, searching for lost persons, traffic control at parades and other events, and first aid.

Schell joined the auxiliary, he says, because "I was interested in police work. To me, it's more of a hobby than anything else." Some members will join the auxiliary force in hope of eventually joining the regular force.

The most rewarding aspect of the work, Schell believes, is "just meeting the public.

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Police week

The week of May 13 through May 19 has been declared Police Week across the country, and this year, the theme of the week is "Working together to prevent crime".

H. H. Graham, commissioner of the OPP, in a release this week, noted that there are three major objectives shared by all law enforcement agencies: to keep the peace, the prevention of crime, and the detection and apprehension of criminals.

Each is an integral part of the law enforcement objective, requiring what the commissioner termed "a delicate balance acceptable to the social climate".

"Any imbalance in these goals has an immediate effect on the concerns of the police and public," he said.

"It is imperative that the citizens we serve have a greater understanding of our roll and their share of the responsibility for maintaining a safe and healthy community in which we live," Graham said.

He extended a personal invitation to the public to visit any one of the OPP 190 detachments during Police Week.

Locally, the OPP display trailer is expected to be on hand in the county to give area people an insight into the work of the local OPP.

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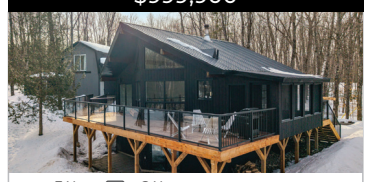
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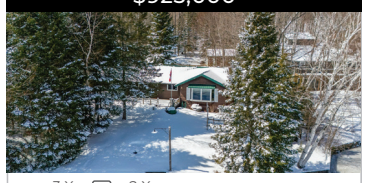
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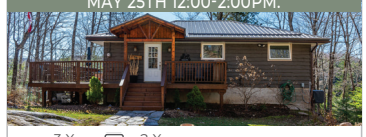
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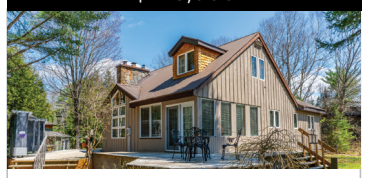
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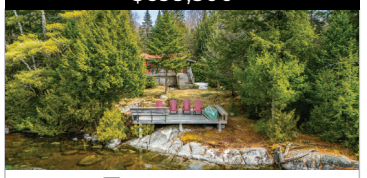
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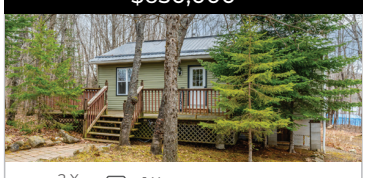
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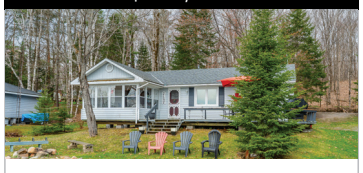
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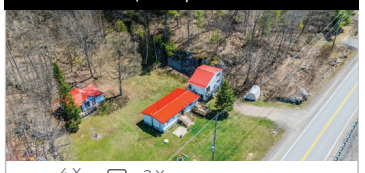
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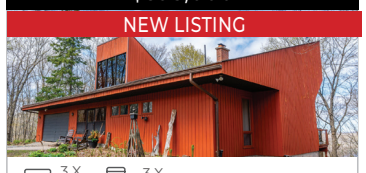
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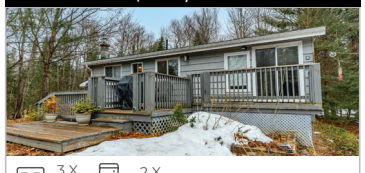
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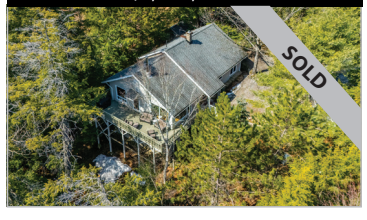

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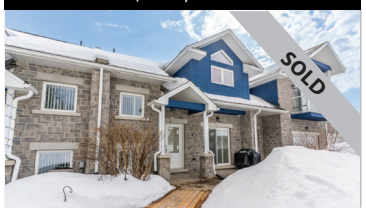

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